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Ms. Marilyn Smith
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Dear Ms. Smith:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed a joint review of the Dover-Kent Metropolitan Planning Organization's (DKMPO) Innovations 2025-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) update and conformity determination for the Kent County, DE 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). The DKMPO Council adopted the Innovations 2025-2050 MTP update and the associated regional emissions analysis on January 8, 2025.

In accordance with the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments (CAAA) and 23 CFR 450.322(I), the FHWA and the FTA are required to make a joint air quality conformity determination. After evaluating the submitted material and coordinating with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 3 Office, we have determined that the update to the MTP conforms to the 1990 CAAA and 40 CFR Part 93. EPA's review, dated February 19, 2025, indicates that the determination meets the requirements of the CAAA and regulations under 40 CFR part 93.

We have also determined that the MTP is based on a continuing, comprehensive transportation planning process carried on cooperatively by the State, MPOs, and transit operators in accordance with provisions of 23 USC 134 and 135 and 49 USC Sections 5303-5305. Based upon the information provided by DKMPO, we concur that the MTP is fiscally constrained.

If you have any questions, please contact Enos Han, FHWA Delaware Division, (302) 734-4018, or Timothy Lidiak, FTA Region III, (215) 656-7084.

Sincerely,

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